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Dear Mr. Rosenfeld,

Thanks for your good wishes. The Times did not agree with you. But a New Zealand friend has cut and rewritten a longer version for the coming Auckland Sunday Star.

As Lardner may have told you, between my 80 years and many health problems I decided some time ago that the best use I can make of what time remains for me is to try to perfect the record for history. I think that the largest effort of that kind, which grew into a very large rough draft of a book, will be published this fall under the title NEVER AGAIN, referring to what happened after the assassination. I have no specific information of its publication and I've left that to the publishing lawyer friend who will be its copublisher.

I'm perhaps halfway through an entirely different kind of book that if unpublished can also serve history. The working title is Inside the JFK Assassination Industry.

I want to say nothing about this to avoid all the inevitable interruptions from people asking about it. I do not have any time to waste!

FYI, it was triggered by the consummate outrage, a 50,000+ first printing in hardback of a book by a certifiable mental case who accuses all the others writing in the field of conspiring against him to, as he said last October, keep him from breaking the case open.

In his letters, and I've not seen or heard of the ms., he actually has me an assassination accessory as part of two imagined conspiracies!

The title calls all others Killers of the Truth.

For this I certainly will appreciate any information you may be able to send me on the coming ugly book commemoration of the 30th anniversary ~~with~~ which from the little I've seen reported promises to be an even more uninhibited commercialization and exploitation.

Again thanks and best wishes,

Harold Weisberg

7/23

Before the mail I was reading the editing of a coming book and was reminded of how very useful a Post editorial was to me in it. But when I went to make a copy your copier would not work. We have a loaner and with thanks for a fine editorial that was so helpful in saying with the authority of the Post a simple basic truth, here is a copy.

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Foreword

"An elementary principle of good journalism [is] the requirement to examine a subject in its entirety and seek out the point of view of the other side."

These are the words of the lead editorial in one of the nation's leading newspapers, the Washington Post of August 15, 1992. They were addressed to those who for non-party political reasons distorted, misrepresented and were untruthful in espousing an inflexible preconception without regard to the readily available facts.

The Post also criticized "sly formulation" that "stops short" of telling an outright lie.

These wise ~~and mature~~ words state both the intent of this book, "to examine a subject in its entirety, and to present the other side" and in so doing to make a record of and call to public attention the departures from his traditional standard of American "good journalism" by the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) in its May 27, 1992, issue articles on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

That issue featured two articles by JAMA's "At Large"